son, for such time, not exceeding ten years, and at such prices as to said council may seem to be for the best interests of the state.

SEC. 2. The warden, with the approval of the executive coun- May modify or cil, is further authorized to modify or cancel any existing con- contracts. tracts in relation to the labor of convicts, with the consent of contracting parties.

SEC. 3. Chapter 110 of the acts of the seventeenth general Repealing Chap.

assembly is hereby repealed.

SEC. 4. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, Publication shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register, a newspaper published at Des Moines, and the Fort Madison Plaindealer, a newspaper published at Fort Madison, Iowa.

Approved, March 26, 1880.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Iowa State Register, April 2, and in the Fort Madison Plaindealer, April 9, 1880,

J. A. T. HULL, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 150.

PUBLICATION OF THE SCHOOL LAWS.

AN ACT to Repeal Section 1579 of the Code, and Enact a Substitute sub. s. f. 139. therefor, to Provide for the Publication and Distribution of the School Laws.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. That section 1579 of the Code is hereby repealed, Code, § 1579, repealed and the following enacted in lieu thereof: "After the adjourn-substitute ment of the eighteenth general assembly, and every four years enacted. thereafter, if deemed necessary, he may cause to be printed and bound in cloth the school laws and all amendments thereto, with what to consuch notes, rulings, forms and decisions as may seem of value to tain. aid school officers in the proper discharge of their duties. Appropriate reference shall be made to the previous law that has been amended or changed, so as clearly to indicate the effect of such amendments or changes. He shall send to each county superintendent a number of copies sufficient to supply each school dis-Distribution. trict in his county with one copy of such school laws, with decisions. He shall also cause to be printed and bound in paper covers the school laws, with notes and with forms necessary to be used in carrying out the school laws. The distribution of these laws in paper covers shall be made through the county

to £x price.

Secretary and auditors, under the direction of the secretary and auditor of state, who shall determine the price, covering the cost to the state, at which they shall be sold to any party: Provided, That he shall furnish each of the members of the boards of directors with one copy of the laws bound in paper covers, which shall be turned over to their successors in office.

· Shall publish Amendments of school laws, when.

Sec. 2. After such sessions of the general assembly as [if] the state superintendent shall not deem it necessary to publish the laws as provided for in section one of this act, he shall cause to be published in pamphlet form all the amendments to the school laws passed by such general assembly, in sufficient numbers to supply each of the county superintendents and school officers of the state with one copy free of charge, which said amendments shall be sent to the several county superintendents for distribution.

Publication.

SEC. 3. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register and Iowa State Leader, newspapers published in Des Moines, Iowa.

Approved, March 26, 1880...

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the *Iowa State Register*, April 2, and in the *Iowa State Leader*, April 5, 1880.

J. A. T. HULL, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 151

STATE BOARD OF HEALTH AND VITAL STATISTICS.

AN ACT to Establish a State Board of Health in the State of Iowa, to Provide for Collecting Vital Statistics, and to Assign Certain Duties to Local Boards of Health, and to Punish Neglect of 8nh. S. F. 98.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Appointment of board.

That the governor, with the approval of the executive council, shall appoint nine (9) persons, one of whom shall be the attorney-general of the state (by virtue of his office), one a civil engineer, and seven (7) physicians, who shall constitute a state board of health. The persons so appointed shall hold their rems of offices for seven (7) years: Provided, that the terms of office of

the seven physicians first appointed shall be so arranged by lot that the term of one shall expire on the thirty-first (31st) day of January of each year; and the vacancies thus occasioned, as well as all other vacancies otherwise occurring, shall be filled by the governor, with the approval of the executive council.

Power of board.

SEC. 2. The state board of health shall have the general supervision of the interests of the health and life of the citizens